



MARCUS SHELBY

Composer-in-Residence

Yerba Buena Gardens Festival

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YERBA BUENA GARDENS
FESTIVAL

BLUES and the PURSUIT of FREEDOM

YERBA BUENA GARDENS FESTIVAL 2025

Sat., August 16, 2025, 2:00pm – 3:30pm

Great Lawn, Yerba Buena Gardens, San Francisco, CA

GREEN AND BLUES

Marcus Shelby, composer

Marcus Shelby Orchestra, featuring John Calloway (flute)

Wandering Blues 1

Le Gente de Razón

Wandering Blues 2

Blues Up and Down

BLACK BALL: The Negro Leagues and The Blues

Marcus Shelby, composer

Marcus Shelby Orchestra, featuring Stella Heath (vocals),

Michela Marino Lerman (tap dance) & Enid Pickett (poetry)

Prelude

Pittsburgh Crawfords

New York Cubans

Barnstormin'

Black Ball Swing

Fleetwood and Weldey

Effa's Blues

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BLUES IN THE CITY

Marcus Shelby, composer

Marcus Shelby Orchestra,

featuring Dillon Vado (vibraphone)

Purpose: "Blues in the City: I am kind of a Poet"

Unhoused: "Tenderloin"